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To: Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs\*  
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Director, Bureau of Land Management  
Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation

From: Team Leader, Natural Resources Management  
Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance

Subject: Review of Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions to Intervene and Protests; **Hells Canyon Hydroelectric Project**, FERC No. 1971-079; Washington and Adams Counties, Idaho; and Wallowa and Baker Counties, Oregon  
**(ER 03/1005)(Agency Due Date: February 2, 2004)**

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has notified the Department that the subject project application has been accepted for filing. The document was issued on December 2, 2003, and can be viewed on the Commission's website at: <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the new **eLibrary (FERRIS) link**.

Please note that the application is **NOT YET READY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS**.

Please review the notice from your particular jurisdiction or special expertise and make a determination whether your bureau wishes to intervene in the FERC proceeding. If your bureau wishes to intervene, please follow the instructions in Environmental Review Memorandum ERM 99-2. **INTERVENTIONS ARE DUE BY February 2, 2004.**

The Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance is not requesting that you review this application and provide comments at this time. **ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS FURNISHED WITH THIS REVIEW NOTICE AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MATERIALS SERVED ON YOUR BUREAU BY THE APPLICANT MUST BE RETAINED FOR FUTURE DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW.**

Please forward a copy of any intervention documents to this Office. Related reviews are under ER 02/646, 03/641, 03/681, and 03/928.

/s/ 12/8/03

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